

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 56th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **JOINT APPROP SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**

**Call to Order:** By **Senator Ken Miller**, on January 7, 1999 at 8:05 A.M., in Room 312 - 2 Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Royal Johnson, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Peggy Arnott Bergsagel (R)  
Rep. Rosalie 'Rosie' Buzzas (D)  
Sen. Greg Jergeson (D)  
Sen. Ken Miller (R)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Daryl Toews, Vice Chairman (R)

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Marty Eddleman, Committee Secretary  
Bob Tallerico, Legislative Services Division

**Please Note:** These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: Board of Public Education,  
1/7/1999; School for Deaf &  
Blind, 1/7/1999

Executive Action: Administration  
Advisory Council

Administration Program  
Student Services  
Education

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0.1}Call to order by  
Senator Ken Miller**

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 1.1}Bob Tallerico**  
explained procedure for the hearing.

**HEARING ON BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION**

**Informational Testimony:**

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 2.3} Wayne Buchanan's**  
presentation.

**EXHIBIT (jeh04a01)** Final Report prepared for The Montana  
Certification Standards and Practices Advisory Council (CSPAC)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 11.4 - 28.2}**  
**Discussion:**

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 28.3 - 32.1} Erik**  
**Burke** of the Governor's office/supports funding increase.

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 32.2 - 33.7; Comments**  
**: Discussion}**

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 33.8 - 37.9} Bob**  
**Tallerico** explains funding budget. Discussion.

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 38 - 48.4; Comments :**  
**Discussion}**

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 48.5}**Chairman Johnson  
made a request for a bill to change section 24.109-change  
specialists certificate for teachers changes to allocate a \$6.00  
fee.

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 49.5}** Motion made by  
Senator Greg Jergeson.

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 50.5}** Discussion

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 51}**Senator Greg  
Jergeson withdrew the motion.

**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 51.9}**Chairman Johnson  
closed the hearing on the Board of Public Education at 9:00 a.m.

HEARING ON SCHOOL OF DEAF AND BLIND

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0.1} Called to order  
by Chairman Johnson at 10:02 a.m.

Informational Testimony:

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0.1} presentation by  
Dr. John Kinna

**EXHIBIT**(jeh04a04)

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 16}presentation by  
Wayne Mathern

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 18.5}presentation by  
Kathy Meier

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 20.8} Rep. Rosie  
Buzzas comparing salaries

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 23.5} Chairman Royal  
Johnson questions about transportation.

Informational Testimony:

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 25.3} presentation by  
Bill Sykes

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 27-38.4} discussion

Informational Testimony:

**{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 38.5}** presentation by Anita Vandermolen, an interrupter from Mt. School of Deaf and Blind.

**{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 45.7}** closing of presentation by Dr. John Kinna

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

**{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 47.7 - 48.6}**  
discussion

**EXHIBIT(jeh04a02)**

**EXHIBIT(jeh04a03)** Legislative Budget Analysis pages E-23 - E34

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

**{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 50.4-end of tape}**  
discussion

Discussion continues on next tape

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 1.3}**

**Substitute Motion:** Rep. Buzzas made a motion that this committee would accept the base and the global state wide adjustments as one item. This would be done in one motion.

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 1.3 - 11}** discussion about motion

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 11.1}** Rep. Rosie Buzzas withdrew motion.

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 11.4}** Chairman Royal Johnson explains procedure of this committee.

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 12.5}** Rep. Rosie Buzzas moved to accept the Board of Public Education Administration Program base budget found on page E-29 exhibit 3.

**Motion Carried unanimously.**

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 20.7}** Senator Greg Jergeson made the motion that the Statewide Global Present Law adjustment on Administration budget from page E-29 be accepted.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 22.6}** Chairman Royal Johnson moved that the base budget from General Services Budget on page E-30 be accepted.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 23.2}** Senator Greg Jergeson moved that the Present Law Global adjustment for General Services Budget from page E-30 be accepted.

Discussion

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 25.1-30}** discussion on Present Law adjustment for pickup.

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 30.1}** Rep. Rosie Buzzas made motion to accept Present Law adjustment for pickup described on bottom of page E-30

**Passes 3 to 2** - Nyes were Bergsagel and Miller

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 31.1}** Chairman Johnson announced that committee would not take executive action until all committee members were present.

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 31.5}** Bob Tallerico discussed page E-31 Student services program.

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 33.5}** Senator Greg Jergeson moved to accept Base budget

**Carried unanimously.**

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 33.8}** Senator Greg Jergeson moved to accept Statewide Global Present Law adjustment on page E-31 for Student services program.

**Carried unanimously.**

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 34.2}**Rep. Rosie Buzzas moved to accept leased vehicle proposal found on page E-32.

Discussion

**Chairman Royal Johnson** said he would not take executive action on any line item present law adjustment today.

**Rep Rosie Buzzas removed her motion**

Discussion on page E-33 Education.

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 40.5}**Senator Greg Jergeson moved to accept Base Budget on Education found on page E-33.

**Carried unanimously.**

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 41.1}**Senator Greg Jergeson moved to accept Statewide Global present law adjustments on Education found on page E-33.

**Carried Unanimously.**

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 41.7}**Bob Tallerico explained the purchase of audiological trainers.

Discussion

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 44.2}**Senator Greg Jergeson moved to accept the proposal to purchase audiological trainers found on bottom of page E-33.

Discussion

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 49}**motion withdrawn.

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 49.5-50.6}**  
discussion.

**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 51-54.3}**Chairman Royal Johnson explained why there was going to be a holdover on these issues for awhile.

Discussion.

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**{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 54.3}**Chairman Johnson  
adjourned the meeting at 12 noon.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 12:00 P.M.

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REP. ROYAL JOHNSON, Chairman

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MARTY EDDLEMAN, Secretary

RJ/ME

**EXHIBIT** (jeh04aad)